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2. PERMDEL NOW RECEIVED REFTEL AND ABLE COMMENT.

2. AT RECENT LUNCH WITH PERMREP AMB GAGNON, CANADA.
GAVE PERMREP COPY FOLLOWING WHICH CHANGES PARA 6 OF
PROPOSED DRAFT RESOLUTION. READS AS FOLLOWS:

A) ENDORSES THE DECISION TAKEN BY THE EXECUTIVE
BOARD AT ITS 92ND SESSION WITH REGARD TO THE
EUROPEAN REGIONAL GROUP.

B) RECOMMENDS THAT FOR THE PURPOSES OF EUROPEAN
REGIONAL MEETINGS, CANADA SHALL BE CONSIDERED
AS FORMING PART OF THAT GROUP.

C) RECOMMENDS THAT FOR THE PURPOSES OF EUROPEAN
REGIONAL MEETINGS, THE UNITED STATES SHALL BE
CONSIDERED AS FORMING PART OF THAT GROUP.

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3. NOTE THAT THIS PUTS US AND CANADA INTO SEPARATE
PARAGRAPHS. AIDE MEMOIRE FROM GAGNON CONTINUES TO STATE:

I UNDERSTAND THAT ONE COULD BELIEVE THAT BY SPLITTING IN SUCH WAY PARA. 6 OF THE US DRAFT ...RESOLUTION, FRANCE WOULD FIND ITSELF IN A MUCH EASIER POSITION TO OPPOSE WASHINGTON WITHOUT OPPOSING CANADA. BUT THE FACT REMAINS THAT FRANCE WOULD STILL HAVE TO VOTE FOR OR AGAINST THE RESOLUTION TAKEN GLOBALLY.

4. PURPOSE SEEMS DESIGNED TO SEPARATE CANADA FROM US IN TACTFUL WAY. CANADIANS SEEM ANXIOUS HAVE A WAY OUT SHOULD US BE STRONGLY OPPOSED. EVEN

THOUGH PROPOSED CHANGE PUTS US AND CANADA IN SEPARATE PARAGRAPHS MAY BE BEST WE CAN GET BY WAY JOINT US-CANADA RESOLUTION.

5. COMMENTS ON DEPT. REFTEL: PERMDEL GENERALLY AGREES WITH CAREFULLY CONSIDERED VIEWS EXPRESSED. WOULD BELIEVE THAT SPONSORSHIP BY AS MANY WE'S AS POSSIBLE HIGHLY DESIRABLE. BEST METHOD WOULD BE TO APPROACH THROUGH CAPITALS. ALL WE PERMREPS HERE ARE FULLY AWARE US DESIRE ENTRY. AS TO EE'S, CONCUR YUGOSLAVIA BEST POSSIBILITY CO-SPONSORSHIP. AGAIN SUGGEST DEMARCHE THROUGH CAPITAL. PERMDEL CAN DISCUSS WITH YUGOSLAV COUNTERPART AS A STARTER. BUT SURE HE WILL NOT BE IN POSITION TO GIVE VIEW. AS TO OTHER EE'S GOOD CHANCE THEY WILL ABSTAIN AS USSR FACES HARD FIGHT WITH CHINESE OVER ADMISSION FAR EAST REGION AND THEY MAY WISH BARGAIN FOR US ABSTENTION.

6. AS TO PROBLEM ISRAEL, GENERALLY CONCUR DEPT. ASSESSMENT. MUCH WILL DEPEND ON DEGREE EMOTIONALISM ENTERS INTO DEBATES ON OTHER MID-EAST ISSUES AND TIMING OF VOTE ON REGIONAL ENTRY. CANADIANS MAY FEEL CONSTRAINED WITHDRAW FROM JOINT SPONSORSHIP US IF IT IS KNOWN ISRAEL INTENDS PRESS FOR ENTRY. THEREFORE, IF ISRAEL MAKES ITS INTENTION KNOWN EARLY AND PUBLICLY, CANADIANS MAY WITHDRAW CONSENT FOR CO-SPONSORSHIP AND GO IT ALONE.

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7. AMB. VAN USSEL, BELGIUM, IN DEPT. FOR MAB CONFERENCE AND MAY BE WELL DISCUSS WITH HIM. HE IS STRONG SUPPORTER US AND VERY KNOWLEDGEABLE POSITION OTHER WE'S.

8. PERMDEL HAS DISCUSSED ISSUE WITH KEY MEMBERS GROUP
77. GENERALLY THEY ARE RESERVED IN THEIR RESPONSE. WOULD SEEM PREFERABLE OBTAIN CO-SPONSORSHIP AS MANY WE'S AS POSSIBLE BEFORE APPROACHING MEMBERS OF 77. ONCE HAVE COMMITMENT KEY WE'S SHOULD BE POSSIBLE OBTAIN SUBSTANTIAL CO-SPONSORSHIP LDC'S.

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